

## Doctors Happy With State High Court Ruling

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It will cause budget problems for the state, but doctors are certainly pleased by a state supreme court ruling this week in Wisconsin. The court has called the state's raid on an injured patient compensation fund in 2007 illegal and ordered \$200 million and change returned to the fund. Erik Gundersen, family practitioner at Gundersen Lutheran, says a healthy compensation fund is one of the ways the state maintains low medical malpractice insurance, thereby lowering health costs for everyone. He says there would have been dire consequences for future of health costs in the state had the court not ruled the way it did.